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RICHARD RICHARDS
SPECIAL INQUIRY
BUDED: 11/20/81 (B)

Bureau has been requested to conduct investigation of Richards, who is being considered for White House staff access. Born 5/14/32 at Ogden, Utah, and resides at 6615 Weatherford, Court, McLean, Virginia, SF 86 and records release enclosed.

Washington Field Office and Salt Lake City will insure that at least ten persons each knowledgeable concerning appointee are interviewed.

Baltimore check DCII.

Pittsburgh check OPM.

Saint Louis check FR-M.

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NOTE: Request received November 4, 1981 from Fred Fielding, Counsel to the President.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1981
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TO: FBI, LIAISON
FROM: FRED F. FIELDING
SUBJECT: FBI Investigations

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Subject's Name RICHARDS, RICHARD (SS# 528-38-0544)
Date of Birth May 14, 1932 Place of Birth Ogden, Utah
Present Address 6615 Weatheford Court, McLean, Virginia

We request: _____ Copy of Previous Report
_____ Name Check
X Full Field Investigation (2 copies, please) NO ☐ TO FBI

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The person named above is being considered for:

_____ White House Staff Position
_____ Presidential Appointment
X Access

Attachments:

X SF 86 1 2
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11/5, 1981

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Subject Richard, Richard

Birthdate & Place _____

Address _____

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Subject RICHARDS, Violet Geneva WilliamsBirthdate & Place 1909Address DECEASED - 1981

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Subject RICHARDS, LOUISE MARIE
Birthdate & Place 1933
Address DECEASED

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Standard Form 86

AUGUST 1964
U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
(F.P.M. CHAPTER 736)SECURITY INVESTIGATION DATA
FOR SENSITIVE POSITION

CASE SERIAL NO. (CSC use only)

INSTRUCTIONS.—Prepare in triplicate, using a typewriter. Fill in all items. If the answer is "No" or "None," so state. If more space is needed for any item, continue under item 28.

1. FULL NAME <i>(Initials and abridgements of full name are not acceptable. If no middle name, show "(NMN)"; if initials only, show "(no given or middle name)"</i>	(LAST NAME) RICHARDS	(FIRST NAME) RICHARD	(MIDDLE NAME) ---	2. DATE OF BIRTH May 14, 1932
	OTHER NAMES USED. <i>(Maiden name, names by former marriages, former names changed legally or otherwise, aliases, nicknames, etc. Specify which, and show dates used.)</i> Office phone no. 202-484-6700 Home phone no. 703-821-3940			3. PLACE OF BIRTH Ogden, Utah
				4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
5. HEIGHT 5'10"		WEIGHT 180	COLOR EYES BR	COLOR HAIR BR

6. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW(ER) <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED	7. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, GIVE FULL NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE. INCLUDE WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME. GIVE DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE. <i>(Give same information regarding all previous marriages and divorces.)</i> Married: [redacted] at Salt Lake City, UT	at Ogden, UT b6 b7C
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8. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE. *(If actual places of residence differ from the mailing addresses, furnish and identify both and go back to January 1, 1937. Continue under item 28 on other side if necessary.)* **Begin with present**

FROM	TO	NUMBER AND STREET	CITY	STATE
1981	Present	6615 Weathford Court	McLean	Virginia
1974	1981	4782 Panorama Dr.	Ogden	Utah SU
1971	1974	4750 Madison Ave.	Ogden	Utah SU
1970	1971	13740 Lockdale Rd.	Wheaton,	Maryland WFO/BA
1969	1970	13305 Colling Wood Ter	Silver Spr.	Maryland
1964	1969	529 - 44th St.	Ogden	Utah SU
1963	1964	43 Kennedy St.	Alexandria	Virginia AX/RH
1963	1963	1041 Doxey St.	Ogden	Utah SU
1962	1963	3000 Landover St.	Alexandria	Virginia AX/RH
1960	1962	471 No. Monroe	Ogden	Utah SU
1956	1960	1041 Doxey St.	Ogden	Utah SU

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9.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BY BIRTH	<input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZED	ALIEN REGISTRATION NO.	DATE, PLACE, AND COURT
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. CITIZEN	CERT. NO.		PETITION NO.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> DERIVED-PARENTS CERT. NO(S).			
<input type="checkbox"/> ALIEN	REGISTRATION NO.	NATIVE COUNTRY	DATE AND PORT OF ENTRY	

10. EDUCATION. *(All schools above elementary.)*

NAME OF SCHOOL	ADDRESS	FROM (Year)	TO (Year)	DEGREES
Riverdale Jr. High	Riverdale, UT	1944	1947	Advanced
Weber High Sch.	Ogden, UT	1947	1950	Graduate
Weber College	Ogden, UT	1950	1952 SU	Certificate of completion
Weber College	Ogden, UT	1958	1959	Associate of Science degree
University of Utah	Salt Lake City, UT	1959	1961	Juris Doctor of Law Degree 2

11. THIS SPACE FOR FBI USE. (See also item 29.)

12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER **528-38-0544**13. MILITARY SERVICE *(Past or present)*

SERIAL NO. <i>(If none, give grade or rating at separation)</i>	BRANCH OF SERVICE <i>(Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.)</i>	FROM (Yr.)	TO (Yr.)
04006014	Army	1952	1955

14. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DIS

26a. REFERENCES. (Name three persons, not relatives or employees, who are aware of your qualifications and fitness.)

NAME IN FULL	HOME ADDRESS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	YEARS KNOWN	Phone
Richard K. Hemingway	Ogden, UT	CSB, 2491 Wash. Blvd., Ogden, Utah 84401	20 ⁵⁰	AC 801 621-1130
Ralph Cottrell, Jr.	4648 Porter,	Ogden, Utah 84403	10	479-8091
Marvin J. Peterson	4688 Porter,	Ogden, Utah 84403	18	479-8225

26b. CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATES. (Name three persons, such as friends, schoolmates or colleagues, who know you well.)

NAME IN FULL	HOME ADDRESS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	YEARS KNOWN	
			22	
			10	
			20	

27. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A FULL FIELD OR BACKGROUND PERSONAL INVESTIGATION BY ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO. (If your answer is "Yes," show in item 28, (1) the name of the investigating agency (2) the approximate date of investigation, and (3) the level of security clearance granted, if known.)

28. SPACE FOR CONTINUING ANSWERS TO OTHER QUESTIONS. (Show item numbers to which answers apply. Attach a separate sheet if there is not enough space here.)

27. U.S. Army
1950
(Military investigation)

29. REPORT OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED. (This space reserved for FBI use.)

DATE:

Before signing this form check back over it to make sure you have answered all questions fully and correctly.

CERTIFICATION

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

False statement on this form
is punishable by law.

10-29-81

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE - Sign original and first carbon copy)

INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY AGENCY

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENCY: See Federal Personnel Manual Chapter 736 and FPM Supplement 296-31, Appendix A, for details on when this form is required and how it is used. If this is a request for investigation before appointment, insert "APPL" in the space for Date of Appointment and show information about the proposed appointment in the other spaces for appointment data. The original and the first carbon copy should be signed by the applicant or appointee. Submit the original and the unsigned carbon copy of the form, Standard Form 87 (Fingerprint Chart), and any investigative information about the person received on voucher forms or otherwise, to the United States Civil Service Commission, Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Washington, D.C., 20415. If this is a request for full field security investigation, submit these forms to the attention of the Division of Reimbursable Investigations; if this is a request for preappointment national agency checks, submit these forms to the attention of the Control Section.

RETAIN THE CARBON COPY OF STANDARD FORM 86 (SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR APPOINTEE) FOR YOUR FILES

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT <input type="checkbox"/> EXCEPTED <input type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE. (Include indefinite and temporary types of competitive appointments.)	CIVIL SERVICE REGULATION NUMBER OR OTHER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY	TITLE OF POSITION AND GRADE OR SALARY
DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY	DUTY STATION	SEND RESULTS OF PREAPPOINTMENT CHECK TO:	
THIS IS A SENSITIVE POSITION			
(SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED AGENCY OFFICIAL)			

DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UNDER OTHER THAN HONORABLE CONDITIONS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

(If answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

15. EMPLOYMENT. (List ALL employment dates starting with your present employment. Give both month and year for all dates. Show ALL dates and addresses when unemployed. Give name under which employed if different from name now used.)

FROM	TO	NAME OF EMPLOYER (Firm or agency) AND SUPERVISOR (Full name, if known)	ADDRESS (Where employed)	TYPE OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING
1-81	Present	Republican National Committee	Wash., D.C.	Chairman	n/a
1-80	1-81	DOT Transition Team	Wash., D.C.		Completed
9-79	11-80	Reagan/Bush Camp.	Los Ang., CA	Western Reg. Coord.	Completed
7-79	1-81	Law Clinic of Richard Richards & Associates, Inc.	Ogden, UT	Law Clinic	New posit.
1972	7-79	Mecham & Richards	Ogden, UT	Law firm	New business
1969	1979	Froerer, Horowitz, Parker, Richards, Thornley & Critchlow	Ogden, UT	Law firm	New business
1969	1971	Republican National Committee	Wash., D.C.	Pol. Dir. & Dep. Chrm	Return to private bus.
1962	1969	Froerer, Horowitz, Parker, Richards & Thornley	Ogden, UT	Law firm	New posit.
1963	1964	Laurence Burton, Congressman, UT	Wash. D.C.	Adm. Asst.	Return to private prac.
1961	1962	Wallace Bennett Senator, UT	Wash. D.C.	Field Rep.	New posit.
1960	1961	Clayton & Gould	Ogden, UT	Law firm	New posit.
1948	1961	Richards Sign Co.	Ogden, UT	Sign Pntr	Priv. prac.

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16. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED (FIRED) FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

17. HAVE YOU EVER RESIGNED (QUIT) AFTER BEING INFORMED THAT YOUR EMPLOYER INTENDED TO DISCHARGE (FIRE) YOU FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.
(If your answer to 16 or 17 above is "Yes" give details in item 28. Show the name and address of employer, approximate date, and reasons in each case. This information should agree with the statements made in item 15—EMPLOYMENT.)

18. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR QUESTIONING, OR CHARGED BY ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY? (You may omit: (1) Traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30 or less; and (2) anything that happened before your 16th birthday. All other incidents must be included, even though they were dismissed or you merely forfeited collateral.) ☐ YES ☒ NO.

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE FULL DETAILS BELOW:

DATE	CHARGE	PLACE	LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY	ACTION TAKEN
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19. HAVE YOU EVER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OR HAVE YOU EVER HAD MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A MENTAL CONDITION? ☐ YES ☒ NO
(If your answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

20. FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930). (Exclusive of military service.)

COUNTRY	DATE LEFT U.S.A.	DATE RETURNED U.S.A.	PURPOSE
Mexico	1-29-81	2-2-81	Spkr for ATLA Conv.
Germany	6-28-81	7-3-81	Political exchg. progr.
Israel	8-29-81	9-7-81	Pers. vacation

21. ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A., OR ANY COMMUNIST OR FASCIST ORGANIZATION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

22. ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, MOVEMENT, GROUP, OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS WHICH IS TOTALITARIAN, FASCIST, COMMUNIST, OR SUBVERSIVE, OR WHICH HAS ADOPTED, OR SHOWS, A POLICY OF ADVOCATING OR APPROVING THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY OTHER PERSONS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, OR WHICH SEEKS TO ALTER THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY UNCONSTITUTIONAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

23. IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTION 21 OR 22 ABOVE IS "YES," STATE THE NAMES OF ALL SUCH ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, MOVEMENTS, GROUPS, OR COMBINATIONS OF PERSONS AND DATES OF MEMBERSHIP. IN ITEM 28 OR ON A SEPARATE SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS FORM, GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF YOUR ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND MAKE ANY EXPLANATION YOU DESIRE REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR ACTIVITIES.

NAME IN FULL	ADDRESS	FROM	TO	OFFICE HELD
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24. MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (List all organizations in which you are now a member or have been a member, except those which show religious or political affiliations.) (If none, so state.)

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Am. Bar Assn.		Lawyers'	1981		Member
Utah State Bar Assn.	SLC, UT	professional	Pres.		Member
Weber County Bar Assn.	Ogden, UT	organizations	Pres.		Member
Am. Trial Lawyers Assn:			1981		Member

25. RELATIVES. (Parents, spouse, divorced spouse, children, brothers, and sisters, living or dead. Name of spouse should include maiden name and any other names by previous marriage. If person is dead, state "dead" after relationship and furnish information for other columns as of time of death.)

RELATION	NAME IN FULL	YEAR OF BIRTH	ADDRESS	COUNTRY OF BIRTH	PRESENT CITIZENSHIP
Father	Blaine B. Richards	1909	932 E.5575 S., Ogden, UT	USA	US
Mother	Violet Geneva Williams Richards	1909	deceased 1981	USA	US

Sister	Louise Marie Richards	1933	deceased	USA	US
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Attachment to Form 86
RICHARD RICHARDS

Item No. 8 (Continued)

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>NUMBER & STREET</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>
1955	1956	3442 Jackson Ave.	Ogden	Utah
1954	1955	1041 Doxey Street	Ogden	Utah
1951	1954	4150 Monroe Blvd.	Ogden	Utah
1940	1951	3999 Nordin	Ogden	Utah
1937	1940	2631 Monroe Blvd.	Ogden	Utah

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<u>Relation</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Birth Country</u>	<u>Citizensp.</u>
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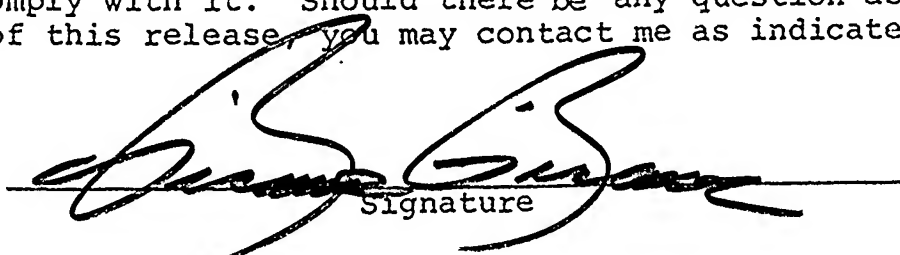
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AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby authorize any Special Agent or other authorized representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation bearing this release, or copy thereof, within one year of its date, to obtain any information in your files pertaining to my educational records including, but not limited to, academic, achievement, attendance, athletic, personal history, and disciplinary records; employment records; and credit records. I hereby direct you to release such information upon request of the bearer. This release is executed with full knowledge and understanding that the information is for the official use of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Consent is granted for the FBI to furnish such information, as is described above, to third parties in the course of fulfilling its official responsibilities. I hereby release you, as the custodian of such records, and any school, college, university, or other educational institution, credit bureau or consumer reporting agency, including its officers, employees, or related personnel, both individually and collectively, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time result to me, my heirs, family or associates because of compliance with this authorization and request to release information, or any attempt to comply with it. Should there be any question as to the validity of this release, you may contact me as indicated below:

Full Name: _____


Signature

Full Name: _____

RICHARD RICHARDS

Type or print name

Parent or Guardian:
(if required): _____

N/A

Date: _____ October 29, 1981

Current Address: _____ 6615 Weathford Court

McLean, VA 22101

Telephone Number: _____ 703-821-3940 (home)

202-484-6700 (work)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: Richard Richards

This letter confirms in writing your express consent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make an investigation of your background as part of the consideration for your application for employment.

You should be aware that the authority to collect this background information is based on the President's executive powers in Article II of the Constitution. The information will be used to obtain necessary clearances to assist you in your work. The background information, which includes a review of FBI files, will be disclosed to another Federal agency, to assist in its process of clearing you. Willfully making a false statement, or concealing a material fact, may constitute a violation of Section 1001, Title 18, of the U.S. Code.

If you provide any information which indicates a violation of law, whether civil, criminal or regulatory in nature, it will be referred to the appropriate Federal, state, local or foreign agency.

By volunteering information about how you exercise rights guaranteed by the First Amendment, it will be assumed that you are expressly authorizing the maintenance of this information in the records of any Federal agency.

The FBI investigation will include the collection and use of relevant information in the files of various Federal agencies and it is necessary that you authorize the disclosure of such information to the FBI.

If you consent to such an investigation, and to the disclosure of relevant information by other Federal departments and agencies to the FBI, please sign your name below and return this original letter of consent to me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Fielding

Approved:

Date:

October 29, 1981

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI ROUTINE

FBI, SALT LAKE CITY ROUTINE

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RICHARD RICHARDS, SPECIL INQUIRY, BUDED: NOVEMBER 20, 1981.

REFERENCE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WFO AND SALT LAKE CITY DATED NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

INVESTIGATION BY WFO HAS DETERMINED THAT THE APPOINTEE'S FORMER EMPLOYER, SENATOR WALLACE BENNETT (FORMER SENATOR FROM UTAH) RESIDES IN THE SALT LAKE CITY AREA AND CAN BE CONTACTED AT TELEPHONE NUMBER (301) 583-4502. IN ADDITION, THE APPOINTEE'S PRESENT SECRETARY INDICATES THAT A CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATE OF THE APPOINTEE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAN BE REACHED IN SALT LAKE AT TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

LEADS. SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION. AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. CONTACT AND INTERVIEW BENNETT AND [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR FBI ROUTINE

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RICHARD RICHARDS; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: NOVEMBER 20, 1981.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WFO, ET AL, DATED NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

ARREST:

ON NOVEMBER 10, 1981, A COMPUTERIZED SEARCH OF THE RECORDS OF
THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, BY SC [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FAILED TO REFLECT A RECORD FOR APPOINTEE.

WHERE APPROPRIATE, PRIVACY ACT (E) (3) DATA WAS FURNISHED TO
PERSONS INTERVIEWED. EXPRESS PROMISES OF CONFIDENTIALITY, BOTH
LIMITED AND UNLIMITED, HAVE BEEN NOTED WHERE GRANTED.

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RICHARD RICHARDS. SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: NOVEMBER 20, 1981.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WASHINGTON FIELD, NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

ON NOVEMBER 17, 1981, [REDACTED] STATE CENTRAL CRIME

RECORDS BUREAU, MARYLAND STATE POLICE, PIKESVILLE, MARYLAND, ADVISED SC [REDACTED] THAT SHE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE. *Civil Rights & Spec. Inq. Sect.*

THE COMPUTERIZED FILES OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION (MVA), GLEN BURNIE, MARYLAND, WERE REVIEWED ON NOVEMBER 16, 1981, BY SC [REDACTED] WITHOUT LOCATING ANY RECORD OF A MARYLAND DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR APPOINTEE. *(M)*

THE DEFENSE CENTRAL INDEX OF INVESTIGATIONS, A DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INDEX TO SECURITY, APPLICANT AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE FILES, WAS CHECKED THROUGH A REPRESENTATIVE OF THAT AGENCY

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ON NOVEMBER 9, 1981, AND DISCLOSED NO RECORD LOCATED FOR
APPOINTEE.

NONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED REQUESTED CONFIDENTIALITY
UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT.

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ju RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WASHINGTON FIELD, NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT, AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS ON FILE AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, DISCLOSED RICHARD RICHARDS, SERVICE NUMBER 56 132 491, WAS INDUCTED INTO US ARMY AUGUST 26, 1952, AND ENTERED ON ACTIVE DUTY SAME DATE AT FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH. HONORABLY DISCHARGED SEPTEMBER 30, 1953, AS PRIVATE (E-2) AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA, TO ACCEPT COMMISSION.

APPOINTED SECOND LIEUTENANT, SERVICE NUMBER 04 006 014, IN US ARMY RESERVE OCTOBER 1, 1953, AND ENTERED ON ACTIVE DUTY SAME DATE AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA. HONORABLY RELIEVED FROM ACTIVE DUTY MARCH

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16, 1955, AS SECOND LIEUTENANT AT FORT ORD, CALIFORNIA, BY REASON OF CONVENIENCE OF GOVERNMENT (BUDGETARY CURTAILMENT), AND HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO RESERVE.

SERVED IN US ARMY RESERVE, INACTIVE STATUS, FROM MARCH 17, 1955, TO MAY 7, 1964, RECEIVING HONORABLE DISCHARGE AS SECOND LIEUTENANT. REASON FOR DISCHARGE FROM RESERVE NOT STATED.

RICHARDS HAD FOREIGN SERVICE IN JAPAN, AND WAS AWARDED NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, SHARPSHOOTER BADGE (RIFLE) (BAR) (CARBINE), AND FIRST CLASS GUNNER BADGE (MACHINE GUN).

MILITARY OCCUPATIONS WERE SHOWN AS LIGHT WEAPONS INFANTRYMAN, AS PLATOON LEADER AND AS OPERATIONS AND TRAINING STAFF OFFICER. CONDUCT AND EFFICIENCY RATINGS RANGED FROM SATISFACTORY TO EXCELLENT, AND THERE WAS NO RECORD OF COURT-MARTIAL OR ABSENCES WITHOUT OFFICIAL LEAVE.

RECORDS INDICATED RICHARDS WAS GRANTED CONFIDENTIAL SECURITY CLEARANCE ON OCTOBER 27, 1953, AND SECRET CLEARANCE (DATE NOT SHOWN), WHICH WERE TERMINATED UPON SEPARATION PURSUANT TO DEFENSE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS.

BIRTH DATA WERE SHOWN AS MAY 14, 1932, AT OGDEN, UTAH. NO UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION WAS NOTED IN MILITARY RECORDS.

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ju RE BUREAU AIRTEL NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

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THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SC [REDACTED]

AT TUCSON, ARIZONA, ON NOVEMBER 12, 1981:

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[REDACTED] ADVISED RECORDS OF THESE RESPECTIVE AGENCIES
DISCLOSED NO INFORMATION CONCERNING APPOINTEE'S [REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE:

ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS
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ju THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SA [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER 16, 1981, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] MOUNTAIN HOME

POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT THE CONSOLIDATED RECORDS OF THE
MOUNTAIN HOME POLICE DEPARTMENT-ELMORE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
SHOWED NO RECORD FOR THE APPOINTEE'S [REDACTED]

WHO RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WFO, NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

ALL PERSONS CONTACTED WERE ADVISED OF THE ACCESS PROVISIONS
OF THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, AND NO ONE REQUESTED CONFIDENTIALITY.

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Date 11/18/81

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (161B-8444) (RUC)

RICHARD RICHARDS
 SPECIAL INQUIRY
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Re Butel to Alexandria, 11/4/81.

NEIGHBORHOOD

6615 Weatheford Court
 Mc Lean, Virginia

The following investigation was conducted by
 Special Agent [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted on 11/12/81, concerning appointee.

[redacted] was acquainted with appointee as he and his family moved into the neighborhood in Spring of 1981. [redacted] commented favorably on appointee as to character, associates, reputation and loyalty. [redacted] knew of nothing derogatory concerning appointee. [redacted] stated that based on her knowledge of appointee at this time, she would recommend appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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[redacted] was contacted on 11/12/81, concerning appointee.

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[redacted] stated that she is acquainted with appointee and his family only casually as appointee had just moved into the neighborhood in the Spring of 1981. [redacted] commented favorably on all aspects of appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the best of her knowledge. [redacted] indicated that appointee was a nice neighbor and that she had never heard of anything derogatory concerning appointee. She stated she would recommend appointee for a position with the United States Government.

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[redacted] was contacted on 11/12/81 concerning applicant.

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[redacted] advised that she is familiar with appointee and his family, however, she stated that appointee had only been in the neighborhood for a short period of time.

[redacted] stated that the appointee seemed very nice and to the best of her knowledge, there has never been any derogatory type of information on appointee in the neighborhood.

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[redacted] commented favorably on appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty and indicated that based on her short acquaintance, she would recommend appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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[redacted] was contacted on 11/12/81, concerning appointee.

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[redacted] advised she only knew appointee in passing indicating that appointee was relatively new to the neighborhood. [redacted] knew of nothing derogatory concerning appointee and had never experienced any negative contacts with appointee since he had been in the Mc Lean neighborhood.

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[redacted] was contacted on 11/13/81 concerning appointee.

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[redacted] advised that she met appointee and his family when he moved into the neighborhood approximately one year ago. [redacted] stated that her daughter also worked with appointee in some capacity on the Republican National Committee. [redacted] described appointee as a very religious, helpful, family-oriented man. She stated that appointee is a very considerate neighbor and highly thought of in the immediate neighborhood.

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[redacted] commented favorably on appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty. She knew of nothing derogatory concerning appointee. [redacted] advised that she

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would recommend appointee for a position with the United States Government.

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[redacted] was contacted on 11/13/81 concerning appointee.

[redacted] advised he was casually familiar with appointee on a neighborhood basis. [redacted] stated that his contacts with appointee had all been of a positive nature and [redacted] knew of nothing derogatory about appointee. Based on his knowledge of appointee, [redacted] commented favorably on appointee as to character, associates, loyalty and reputation. [redacted] would recommend appointee for a position with the United States Government.

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CREDIT CHECK

On 11/13/81, SC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau of Prince William County, Incorporated, Post Office Box 232, Manassas, Virginia, which covers the Washington Metropolitan Area and was advised the files contained no derogatory record regarding appointee.

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ARREST CHECK

On 11/15/81, a computerized check of the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE), Virginia State Police (VSP), Richmond, Virginia, failed to reflect any information identifiable with applicant, spouse and son.

SC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of the Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department, and was advised on 11/12/81, that no record was located concerning the appointee.

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SC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of the Fairfax County, Virginia, Police Department, and was advised on 11/16/81, that no record was located regarding appointee. It is to be noted that in applicant matters only class 3 and 4 misdemeanors are available.

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SC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of the Fairfax County, Virginia, Police Department, and was advised on 11/17/81, that no record was located regarding appointee's spouse, daughter or son.

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It is to be noted that in applicant matters only class 3 and 4 misdemeanors are available.

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act, and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

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gvl RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WFO DATED NOVEMBER 4, 1981.

ON NOVEMBER 16, 1981, JIM SCOTT, RECORDS SUPERVISOR, U.S.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT (USOPM), NACI CENTER, BOYERS,
PENNSYLVANIA (PA), ADVISED THAT HIS INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD
FOR CAPTIONED APPLICANT.

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Date 11/19/81

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (161B-438) (RUC)

RICHARD RICHARDS
 SPECIAL INQUIRY

Re Bureau airtel to WFO, et al, 11/4/81; WFO teletype to Bureau and Salt Lake City, 11/12/81.

ADMINISTRATIVE

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and [redacted] requested confidentiality. (Review of [redacted] disclosed no derogatory information concerning appointee. [redacted] Me

Salt Lake City Indices negative.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Ogden, Riverdale, and Roy; SA [redacted], SA [redacted] and SC [redacted] at Salt Lake City, Utah:

BIRTHAT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 10, 1981 [redacted], Utah Bureau of Vital Statistics, furnished a certified copy of the birth certificate for Richard Richards indicating date of birth 5/14/32 at Ogden, Weber County, Utah, and parents Blaine Royden Richards and Violet Williams.

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EDUCATION

AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 13, 1981, [REDACTED], Records, Weber State College (WSC), stated her records indicated appointee, Richard Richards, date of birth May 14, 1932, attended WSC from 1950 until 1952, and again from 1955 through Spring quarter, 1958. He acquired 161 credit hours and graduated on 5/31/58 with an Associate of Science degree. He earned a GPA of 3.73 on a 4.0 scale. His major was not indicated, but [REDACTED] stated appointee obviously emphasized Political Science and History. There was no record of disciplinary action or derogatory information regarding appointee.

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AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 19, 1981, [REDACTED] University of Utah (U of U) School of Law, advised her records disclosed appointee, date of birth 5/14/32 at Ogden, Utah, received his Associate of Science Degree from Weber State College, Ogden, Utah, on 5/31/58. Appointee entered U of U School of Law during Fall, 1958, and attended Fall, 1958; Winter, 1959; Spring, 1959; Summer, 1959; Fall, 1959; Winter, 1960; Spring, 1960; Summer, 1960; Fall, 1960. Appointee graduated on 6/5/61 with a Juris Doctor of Law Degree with a grade point average of 2.3 on a 4.0 scale, and 23 in a class of 42. No adverse information was noted and no instructors were identified.

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EMPLOYMENT

AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 16, 1981, [redacted] advised he was affiliated with appointee as his [redacted] in the law clinic of Richard Richards and Associates from approximately 2/79 - 1/81. [redacted] was the [redacted] and the clinic was closed when appointee moved to Washington, DC, in 1/81. [redacted] stated he had known appointee since 1970 at which time he assisted appointee in his congressional campaign. [redacted] stated he had an extremely high regard for appointee and enjoyed working with him. Appointee handled himself well in court and represented his clients in a very capable fashion. He had good court room demeanor, he was articulate, both orally and on paper, and he was considered one of the best attorneys in the community. He was honest and loyal, and [redacted] knew absolutely nothing derogatory regarding him, and he highly recommended appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government. ✓

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On November 13, 1981, [redacted] (listed reference) [redacted] advised he and appointee were [redacted] in the firm of [redacted] and Richards from approximately [redacted] - [redacted]. Appointee left the firm to open a law clinic and they remained very close friends. [redacted] stated he had known Richards since they were in law school together, and they have socialized as well as worked together. While [redacted] was a [redacted], appointee argued cases before him, and he found appointee to be bright, quick, and capable. He was a reflex person, reacting quickly and almost always correctly. He was a tough opponent in the court room, but he never exceeded the bounds of ethical behavior. He was a fighter, but he was never unfair to an opposing attorney. He stated he would not describe appointee as a legal scholar, but he was very knowledgeable of the law. He was a capable writer and speaker, both of which he did with clarity. He was primarily a plaintiff's attorney and handled personal injury, contract, and real estate cases, and he held a hard line on issues he believed in. He was honest, loyal, and straight forward, and he knew nothing of a derogatory nature regarding appointee. He stated he highly recommended him for a trusted and responsible position with the Federal Government. ✓

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On November 13, 1981, [redacted] b6
[redacted] advised according to their records, b7C
appointee was employed with their firm, Froerer, Horowitz,
Parker, Richards, and Thornley, from approximately 1962,
with a two-year break at which time he was working with the
Republican National Committee in Washington, DC, until approxi-
mately 1972 when he became a partner in the law firm of Mecham
and Richards. ✓

[redacted] advised he had known appointee since they b6
were in law school together. Appointee was an aggressive, b7C
capable attorney who handled civil cases primarily. He was
loyal, active in his church, and a high-minded, fair individual.
He enjoyed the political arena where he was known to be a
tenacious attorney. He was articulate and capable as a writer
and a speaker.

[redacted] stated he knew nothing derogatory concerning b6
appointee, and he recommended him highly for a position with b7C
the Federal Government.

On November 13, 1981, [redacted] b6
[redacted], advised he was a law partner in a firm with appointee b7C
from approximately 1962 - 1972. Appointee left the firm for
a year or two while he was on the Republican National Committee
in Washington, DC. He was a very capable attorney, and although
[redacted] had not observed him frequently in court, he had the
reputation as a good court room attorney. He was an articulate ✓
writer and speaker and he had a good knowledge of the law. He
was a fair-minded man who had no prejudices. He was honest
and loyal, and the appointee left the firm on good terms. He
stated he knew of no unfavorable information regarding appointee,
and he highly recommended him for a position with the United
States Government.

On November 13, 1981, [redacted] b6
[redacted] advised he had known appointee well since b7C
1947. They grew up in the same neighborhood, and later they
were [redacted] in the firm Froerer, Horowitz, Parker,
Richards, Thornley, and Critchlow, approximately 1969 - 1972. ✓
The appointee left the firm on good terms, primarily to become
involved in politics. He enjoyed politics and had significant
success in that area. He was a very capable and effective
lawyer who represented his clients in a very aggressive manner.

He excelled in writing and speaking. He was honest, loyal, associated with reputable individuals, and he was a high ranking member of his church. His court room demeanor was outstanding, and he handled principally civil-type cases. b6

[redacted] knew nothing derogatory concerning appointee, and b7C
he recommended him without reservation for a position with the Federal Government.

On November 13, 1981, [redacted]
[redacted] stated he had known appointee since 1957 as a b6
fellow-student and later as a law partner in the firm Froerer, b7C
Horowitz, Parker, Richards, and Thornley, approximately 1962 -
1972. From approximately 1969 - 1971, appointee was located ✓
in Washington, DC, serving on the Republican National Committee.
Approximately 1972, appointee accepted a partnership with
Attorney [redacted] stated appointee was articulate,
knowledgeable of the law, and he was highly regarded as a
court room attorney. He was loyal, honest, trustworthy, and
extremely objective in handling mostly the civil cases during
his employment. [redacted] stated he recommended Richards without
hesitation or reservation for a most trusted position with
the United States Government.

On November 13, 1981, [redacted] b6
[redacted] advised he was in the same law firm as appointee from b7C
1962 until 1972 when appointee left the firm on good terms.
He described appointee as a very aggressive, capable, articulate,
and outspoken attorney. He was a fluent speaker and an excellent
writer. He had superb court room demeanor and prepared his
cases well. He had great insight into politics and was engaged ✓
as a member of Republican National Committee, Washington, DC,
for two years while a member of his firm. He was very objective
and not prone to hold grudges. He was loyal, reputable, honest,
above reproach in all respects, and he recommended him for a
position with the Federal Government.

AT FRUIT HEIGHTS, UTAH

On November 13, 1981, [redacted] b6
[redacted] stated Richards worked for him from approximately 1960 - b7C
1961 as a lawyer, handling general civil matters. He was a
capable attorney, not long out of law school, who learned
quickly. [redacted] stated appointee argued cases before him, and ✓
he found him to have a good court room deportment and extremely
capable in his knowledge of the law and the representation of
his clients. He was fair, honest, loyal, and he knew nothing
negative concerning appointee. He stated he highly recommended
him for a high position with the Government.

[] advised Dean Clayton, partner in law firm of Clayton and Gould, died approximately ten years ago.

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AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 17, 1981, [] Richards Signs, 2753 Grant, advised appointee began working for that firm approximately 1948 during the time appointee's father owned the business. He continued working off and on while attending school, from 1948 - 1961. [] stated even though appointee's father owned the business, until he had a stroke about ten years ago, appointee was treated like all others, receiving no special benefits or treatment. Appointee worked hard, and he was well liked by those with whom he worked. He was very dependable, honest, and loyal, and he was eligible for rehire. [] stated he recommended appointee for any position for which he was qualified and seeking.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

On November 13, 1981, [] [] advised she had known appointee and his family as neighbors for five years. Appointee was highly regarded as were all members of his family. He was honest and appeared to be loyal to the United States Government. He associated only with reputable people, and she was unaware of any unfavorable information concerning appointee. She recommended him for a position with the Government.

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On November 13, 1981, [] [] advised she had known Richards and his family as neighbors for five years. They were highly respected in the community, and she knew nothing of a derogatory nature relative to appointee. Undoubtedly, he was a loyal American citizen, and she recommended him for a position with the Federal Government.

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On November 13, 1981, [] [] advised she had known appointee for over five years as a neighbor and a friend. She stated when appointee ran for a political office, she and her family campaigned for him. She stated he was a fine individual; honest, trustworthy, and loyal, and she had the highest regard for him and his family.

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His reputation, character, associates, and loyalty were impeccable, and she recommended him without reservation for a high position with the Federal Government.

REFERENCES

AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 13, 1981, Richard K. Hemingway, Commercial Security Bank, 2491 Washington Boulevard, advised he had known appointee for twenty years. He worked with appointee in the Republican Party as well as on bond elections. Appointee was honest, untarnished character, good reputation, and loyal. He was a very straight forward person; a kind of nuts and bolts man who got the job done. He was very capable regarding political knowledge, and he felt honored to recommend appointee for a position of trust with the Federal Government. ✓

On November 13, 1981, Ralph Cottrell, Jr., 4648 Porter Avenue, advised he had known appointee as a friend and member of the same church for some ten years. Appointee was highly regarded by all; he was interesting, honest, loyal, good associates, and a fine reputation. His associates were above reproach, and he recommended him highly for a position with the Federal Government. ✓

On November 16, 1981, Marvin J. Peterson, 4688 Porter Avenue, advised he had known appointee as a neighbor and member of the same church for about 20 years. Appointee enjoyed an impeccable reputation and character; he was highly motivated, intelligent, articulate, and a superb attorney. He was straight forward, loyal, and honest. He highly recommended him for a position with the Government. ✓

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ment." [redacted] refer to interview captioned, "Employ-

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AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 16, 1981, [redacted] advised he had known appointee as a friend and neighbor for 16 years. He stated he had the highest regard for appointee and his family. Appointee was loyal, honest, open-minded,

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and above board in all things. He had a good reputation, and [] knew of nothing unfavorable regarding appointee or any member of his family. As appointee's CPA, [] stated appointee was financially responsible. He stated he highly recommended appointee for a position with the Federal Government.

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On November 13, 1981, [] stated he had known appointee since 1950 as a school mate and later as a member of the same church. [] described him as a close friend, "super star," and a great person in all respects. Appointee came from a fine family and all members were dependable, loyal, honest, and trustworthy. [] highly recommended appointee.

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AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 18, 1981, [] advised he had been acquainted with Richards as far back as law school at the University of Utah in late 1950 and early 1960's. [] stated he remembered the appointee worked for Senator Wallace Bennett and Congressman Laurence Burton in the early to mid-1960's. [] stated in between law practice the appointee rose from Utah State Republican Chairman to the National Chairman. The appointee was instrumental in assisting the President in his recent election.

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[] stated the appointee had the reputation of being an outstanding attorney and one that was dedicated to helping others. [] stated he recalled the appointee charging less money for his attorney fees so that anyone who needed help could afford his services. The appointee was described as warm, sensitive, and totally honest in dealing with people.

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[] advised the appointee was a person with strong religious convictions who enjoyed an excellent family life and marriage. He related extremely well with his peers and had the ability to motivate individuals. He stated during the period of time he had known appointee, he had never seen or heard him do anything which reflected unfavorably upon his character, associates, reputation, or loyalty. He stated he gladly recommended the appointee for a position of trust and responsibility with the Federal Government.

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ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 18, 1981, Wallace F. Bennett, former Senator, State of Utah, 875 Donner Drive, and former employer of appointee, advised he had known Richards for over 20 years. He stated he hired the appointee as a member of his staff in the 1950 or early 1960's. The appointee subsequently went on to be a successful attorney who practiced in the Ogden, Utah, area. Bennett stated he recalled appointee as being a popular, honest, and conscientious lawyer, and he was encouraged to practice law parttime and enter into the political scene. He stated the appointee rose from the Republican State Chairman for the State of Utah to the National Chairman for the Republican Party, and President Reagan owes his presidency in part to the appointee. Bennett stated he had followed appointee's political career with a sense of pride. His ability was evidenced by the 1980 Presidential Election. He described appointee as a family oriented man with deep religious convictions; a person with top administrative ability, patriotic, and fine reputation. He stated he was pleased and honored to recommend the appointee for any trusted appointment. ✓

AT OGDEN, UTAH

On November 17, 1981, Judge ^{John} Walquist, State ^{Court,} District ² Judge, advised he had known appointee since appointee was active in the Young Republicans. Appointee had argued cases before Judge Walquist many times, and he was a gifted, shrewd, aggressive but fair attorney. He was always well prepared when appearing before the court, in fact, he was one of the finest attorneys appearing before Judge Walquist. He was a litigating attorney rather than an office attorney. He was not afraid of controversy, and he would go out on a limb for a client, but he was never unethical. Walquist stated about four years ago a man and his wife complained to the State Bar that appointee had not been ethical in his dealings with them. In an effort to keep them from losing their house due to foreclosure, appointee arranged for financial backing with a man who was appointee's friend. The man and wife later lost the house to the friend. Walquist stated the case was tried in his court; consequently, he had personal knowledge of the facts. As it turned out the couple had an extremely bad financial history and no one would carry the couple's mortgage except for appointee's friend. When the couple continued to become more and more in ✓

arrears in their mortgage payments, the friend foreclosed and got the house. The couple claimed appointee arranged a contract which they could not comply with which benefited the friend. As it turned out, however, evidence showed appointee did the only thing he could in attempting to save their house. The State completely cleared appointee of any wrong doing, and Walquist knew of no other problems concerning appointee. He stated appointee was a loyal American, and he recommended him for a high position with the Federal Government.

On November 17, 1981, Boyd K. Storey, Chairman, Weber County Commission, advised he had known appointee for 15 years, primarily in the political arena. He was highly regarded, a good lawyer, loyal, honest, trustworthy, and a fine family man. Storey stated he knew nothing derogatory concerning appointee, and he highly recommended him for a position with the United States Government.

On November 17, 1981, [redacted] advised he had known Richards for 20 years and had been doing business with him for ten years. Appointee handled legal matters for [redacted] and he was most capable. [redacted] stated appointee was fair, honest, loyal, and he knew nothing negative regarding appointee. He stated he highly recommended appointee for a position with the Federal Government. ✓ b6 b7C

AT FARMINGTON, UTAH

On November 17, 1981, [redacted] stated he had known appointee quite well since they were together in law school, and he considered appointee a good friend. Appointee had excellent courtroom demeanor, he was an aggressive but ethical attorney, and he was highly regarded as an attorney. He was dependable, honest, loyal, and he enjoyed a fine reputation. [redacted] stated he knew nothing unfavorable concerning appointee, and he highly recommended him for a position with the Government. ✓ b6 b7C

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AT SALT LAKE CITY

On November 16, 1981, []

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[] was contacted at the State Capitol Building and advised the following regarding Richard Richards:

[] stated that he has known Mr. Richards for more than twenty years. This relationship has been when they were both politically traveling together and Richards was campaigning for Lawrence Burton for United States Senator. [] stated that during the travels, they spent a great deal of time together, and [] felt that Richards' character would be one that he would have no reason to ever question his integrity and honesty. [] stated that there was never any reason to question Richards' political companions or the type of people that he associated himself with during the campaign trails. [] stated that he feels that Richards' reputation is one of a "square shooter", and further described Richards as a mover and a doer. [] stated that regarding his loyalty, he again has never had any reason to question his loyalty to the United States. [] stated that he remembers Richards quite well when he served as the Chairman of the Utah Republican Party, and described him at that time as being aggressive and hard working with no bad habits. [] stated that he would be delighted to recommend Richards for any position of trust and loyalty with the United States Government.

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On November 16, 1981, Charles Bullen, State Senator from Cache County, State of Utah, was contacted at the State Capitol Building, Salt Lake City, where he advised that he has known Richard Richards for approximately fifteen years. Bullen stated that this association has strictly dealt with the Republican State Party. Bullen further advised that he has never heard anything derogatory regarding Richards, and this is also true regarding his reputation among his Republican peers. Bullen stated that he knows Richards to be a very loyal American, and would be very surprised if he ever heard anything derogatory regarding Richards. Bullen stated that he would be pleased to recommend Richards for any position for which he is being considered.

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Fred Finlinson, State Senator, representing Salt Lake County, State of Utah, was contacted on November 16, 1981, at the State Capitol Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Finlinson stated that he has known Dick Richards since 1960, and stated that both had been very active in the Republican Party in Utah, and recalls that when he was in college, he served an internship under Richards while working for their party in state government. Finlinson stated that their relationship has been one involving politics but Finlinson stated he considers to be very good friends with Richards.

Finlinson stated that Richards has been very active in his political party and stated that his loyalty to the United States is one of unquestionable magnitude.

Finlinson stated that he is an attorney and describes Richards as having an outstanding knowledge of law, and states that his demeanor in the courtroom is very good, and further described him as a good litigator and has handled a number of civil litigation in which Finlinson has been a part of.

Finlinson stated that Richards' character is one of being "a good man". He never had anything derogatory said about his character and reputation, and further described his reputation as being very trustworthy, and that the type of people that he associates with are ones of high moral character. Finlinson stated that as far as his loyalty, that he has never heard anything derogatory and knows that Richards has worked for the state government in Utah, and has always had a very positive relationship with that position. Finlinson stated that he would highly recommend Richards for the position for which he is being considered.

On November 16, 1981, Ronald T. Halevson, State Senator, representing Weber County, State of Utah, was contacted at the State Capitol Building, Salt Lake City, where he advised the following:

Halevson stated that he has known Richard Richards for 34 years as they went through school together in Ogden, Utah. Halevson stated that he has been involved with Richards in the Republican Party for the past sixteen years.

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Halevson stated that he has knowledge and has been in the courtroom to observe Richards in the past, and stated that his knowledge of law was very extensive, and considered him an excellent attorney, and has been very satisfied with the results when Richards has represented Halevson and his family in business interests.

Halevson stated that he knows Richards to be a person of high character and outstanding integrity. Halevson stated that he is well respected by him and also in the community of Ogden, Utah. Halevson stated that regarding his reputation, there is no question that he is one of outstanding quality. Halevson stated that he knows Richards as being one to take care of all of his obligations. Halevson stated that he would be very happy to recommend Richards for whatever position he is applying for with the United States government.

On November 16, 1981, Dale Stratford, State Representative for Weber County, Utah, was contacted at the State Capitol Building in Salt Lake City, Utah, where he advised the following:

Stratford stated that he has known Richards for approximately thirty years, both having been raised in the city of Ogden, Utah. Stratford stated that he is a former District Attorney for Weber County, and has observed Richards in the courtroom and feels that he has a very good knowledge of the law, and describes him as a very capable attorney. Stratford also stated that he, himself, is still currently practicing in Weber County. /

Stratford stated that Richards enjoys a reputation of being an individual above reproach and regarding his associates, stated that as being a neighbor of Richards' in Ogden from 1974 to 1981, can speak very highly of him as someone who would be good to associate with. Stratford stated that regarding his character, Richards is an outstanding individual who enjoys a high reputation among the people in Weber County. Stratford stated that Richards is an individual who is a skilled organizer, who knows how to make things happen. Stratford stated that regarding his loyalty, that he is totally dedicated to the Constitution of the United States. Stratford stated that he would be pleased to recommend Richards for any position with the United States government for which he is being considered.

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On November 18, 1981, [redacted]
[redacted], State of Utah, State Capitol Building, Salt Lake
City, Utah, was contacted and advised the following concern-
ing Richard Richards:

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[redacted] stated that he has known Richards for
approximately ten years, and that their relationship is
strictly in the political area. [redacted] stated that he has
had occasion to observe Richards in a court of law and
describes him as a very knowledgeable attorney, and that
his courtroom demeanor has been one of outstanding stature.

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[redacted] stated that regarding his reputation and
character, that he knows these to be of excellent nature.
[redacted] stated that he thinks the world of Richards as an
individual and qualified attorney. He feels he is qualified
for any position in which he would be considered by the
United States government. [redacted] further advised that re-
garding his loyalty, he feels that it is more than most
people toward the United States.

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On November 19, 1981, [redacted]
[redacted] advised he had known the appointee
over the last fifteen years. His main contact with the
appointee had been in connection with politics and the
Republican Party, although he had known the appointee socially
and as a personal friend. [redacted] stated the appointee was
a practicing attorney and had a fine law practice in the State
of Utah. He further advised that in the 1960's the appointee
became involved in politics. The appointee held most of the
responsible positions within the Utah Republican Party, includ-
ing the State Chairman. [redacted] stated the appointee's wife
supported him and was responsible for a measure of his success.
The appointee had a happy marriage and excellent family life.
He had strong religious convictions and possessed a strong
desire to help people. [redacted] stated he had never met a
man so totally concerned with and sensitive to the needs of
people. He stated that was one of the "keys" to the appointee's
success. He stated the appointee's ethics, moral values, and
integrity were above reproach. [redacted] stated the appointee
was a true leader who possessed the special ability to motivate
individuals. He stated during the time he had known the
appointee he had never known him to do anything which reflected
unfavorably upon his character, reputation, abilities or loyalty
to the United States. He advised he recommended appointee for a
position of trust and responsibility without hesitation or
reservation.

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AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 9, 1981, [redacted] Utah State Bar Association, advised appointee was admitted to Utah State Bar on 11/30/68, and he was a member in good standing. [redacted] stated appointee was highly regarded as a member, and he enjoyed a fine reputation as an attorney. [redacted] stated he knew appointee personally, and he was loyal, honest, and he recommended him for a trusted position with the Federal Government. ✓

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On November 19, 1981, a search of the newspaper morgue disclosed no derogatory information concerning appointee.

CREDIT

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 12, 1981, [redacted] Salt Lake City Credit Bureau, advised appointee had a satisfactory credit record with the following exception:

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In 6/80, [redacted] Ogden, Utah, reported that appointee's account was currently paid off but had been 30 days past due on four separate occasions. The amount of the loan was \$10,000.

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In 1980, Mountain West Savings and Loan, 2406 Washington Boulevard, Ogden, Utah, reported appointee's account was currently paid off but had to be assigned to a collection agency for payment. The amount of loan was \$33,000.

ARREST

AT OGDEN, RIVERDALE, AND ROY, UTAH

On November 17, 1981, the following individuals advised their records contained no information identifiable with appointee and appointee's listed adult relatives:

[redacted] Ogden Police Department;
[redacted] Weber County Sheriff's Office which covers Riverdale, Utah;
[redacted] Riverdale Police Department
[redacted] Roy Police Department.

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AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On November 12, 1981, [redacted], Salt Lake City Police Department; [redacted], Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office; and [redacted] Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification, which covers the entire State of Utah, advised their records contained no information identifiable with appointee and appointee's listed adult relatives.

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RICHARD RICHARDS; SPECIAL INQUIRY (B); BUDED: NOVEMBER 20, 1981

Ref REFERENCE BUREAU AIRTEL TO WASHINGTON FIELD, NOVEMBER 4, 1981, AND ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 18, 1981.

ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT, AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

ON NOVEMBER 20, 1981, REVIEW OF OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER (OPF) AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, CIVILIAN BRANCH, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, DISCLOSED RICHARD RICHARDS WAS EMPLOYED OCTOBER 12, 1970, AS MEMBER - GENERAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH U. S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH, AT WASHINGTON, D. C. EMPLOYMENT TERMINATED JANUARY 29, 1971, BY RESIGNATION "TO ACCEPT A POSITION WITH THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE." IT WAS NOTED THIS POSITION WAS ON "WHEN ACTUALLY EMPLOYED" BASIS,

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AND OPF INDICATED RICHARDS PERFORMED NO ACTUAL SERVICES DURING THE TERM.

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH LISTED AS MAY 14, 1932, OGDEN, UTAH, SSAN 528-38-0544.

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Reference Bureau airtel to WFO dated 11/4/81.

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"Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted."

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on November 10, 12, and 15, 1981, in Washington, D.C. (WDC), regarding the appointee, Richard Richards.

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Republican National Committee
320 1st Street, Southeast,
WDC

[redacted] of Personnel, advised that a check of her records indicated that the appointee was affiliated with the above organization from 1969, to 1971, as the Political Director and Deputy Chairman. [redacted] stated that the exact dates of the appointee's employment are unknown. In addition, [redacted] stated that the appointee has been employed with the above organization since January of 1981, as the Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

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Betty Heitman, Co-chairman, advised that she has known the appointee since 1976, and has maintained both a social as well as a professional relationship. ✓

Heitman stated that the appointee is an "intelligent, moral and highly respected individual." The interview indicated that the appointee is a "delight to work with."

Heitman stated that the ^{Appointee} applicant does not smoke or drink and indicated that she knows of no derogatory information that would preclude the applicant from obtaining a position of trust or confidence with the United States Government. Heitman indicated that she would give the appointee her highest recommendation for a position of trust or confidence.

Frederick Biebel, Deputy Chairman, advised that he has known the appointee for many years and indicated that he is "the finest boss he has ever had." Biebel stated that the appointee lives a pure and clean life and is a type of person that one can trust with his secrets. Biebel indicated that the appointee is loyal to this country and "a super guy."

Biebel indicated that the appointee does not smoke or drink and does not take narcotics. Biebel advised that he would have no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation or loyalty to the United States and stated that he would highly recommend him for a position of trust or confidence. ✓

_____ advised that he has known the appointee since 1968. _____ indicated that he has maintained both a social as well as a professional relationship with the appointee since they first met while he _____ was a student at Utah State University. _____ advised that he enjoys working with the appointee and stated that he is the type of person that is easy to get along with. _____ advised the appointee does not smoke or drink and stated that he would have no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation or loyalty to the United States. ✓
_____ advised that he would highly recommend the appointee for any position of trust or confidence with the United States Government. b6 b7C

Congressman Lawrence Burton, (former), Special Assistant to the Chairman, advised that he has known the appointee since 1950, when they were both affiliated with the Weber College in Utah. Burton stated that since that time he has maintained both a close personal relationship with the appointee as well as being a co-worker, a friend of the family and a boss. Burton indicated that he was a congressman from the state of Utah from 1963, to 1970, and that from 1963, to 1964, the appointee was employed by him as a Administrative Assistant. ✓

Burton characterized the appointee by stating that he is an outstanding person to know, work with and have in your employ. Burton stated that he is a "first grade person with the highest integrity and quality that one could want." Burton advised that after the appointee left his employ in 1964, he recommended that the appointee return to Utah to practice law and also become affiliated with the Republican National Committee.

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Burton stated the appointee has no drug or alcohol related problems, and further stated that he would have no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation or loyalty to the United States. Burton advised that he would highly recommend the appointee for any position of trust or confidence and stated that his recommendations would be for the highest position possible.

The following individuals were contacted at the Republican National Committee and all contacted indicated that they would highly recommend the appointee for any position of trust or confidence with the United States Government.



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White House

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The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[] on November 19, 1981:

A search of the files of the Personnel Office, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, revealed no information concerning the appointee, Richard Richards.

Rose Marie Monk, Special Assistant to the Assistant to the President for Political Affairs, advised that she has known the appointee on a professional basis since 1976. She noted that the appointee has been quite active in Utah State Republican Politics. In addition, the appointee has been very active in years past working with the Reagan Action Committee, known as Citizens for the Republic. Monk knows of absolutely nothing negative concerning him and would have no hesitation recommending him for a position of confidence and trust. ✓

Franklyn Nofziger, Assistant to the President for Political Affairs, is unavailable for interview due to the pressures in his office. However, Rose Marie Monk is authorized to speak for Nofziger and states that he has known the appointee for many years longer than she herself has. Nofziger is well aware of the appointee's fine personal and political reputation and knows nothing negative concerning him. He would have no hesitation recommending him for a position of confidence and trust. ✓

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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On November 19, 1981, [REDACTED]
Office of Finance, furnished the following information to
Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] from the Official
Personnel File of the appointee:

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Mr. Richard Richards was appointed to the staff of
former Representative Laurence J. Burton of Utah on January 3,
1963. His title was Clerk. This appointment terminated on
December 31, 1964.

[REDACTED] further advised that it would not be
possible to ascertain the present whereabouts of the former
staff members of Representative Burton.

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U.S. SENATE

On November 19, 1981 [redacted]
[redacted] Disbursing Office, furnished the following
information to Special Agent (SA) [redacted] from the
Official Personnel File of the appointee:

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On March 15, 1961, Mr. Richard Richards was
appointed to the staff of former Senator Wallace Bennett of
Utah. His title was Staff Assistant. This appointment
terminated on July 6, 1962.

[redacted] further advised that it would not be
possible to ascertain the present whereabouts of the former
members of Senator Bennett's staff.

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EMPLOYMENT

Department of Interior
1900 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

On November 18, 1981, Special Agent (SA) []
[] conducted the following investigation concerning the
appointee, Richard Richards:

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[], Washington, D.C.,
advised that she has known the appointee, Richards, in a
professional nature since November of 1980, to the present.
She worked directly for the appointee, Richards, when the
appointee was the head of the Department of Interior
Transition Team from November of 1980, to January of 1981. ✓
According to [] Richards is superb in all respects and
a very loyal American. He is professional, competent and
discreet. [] explained that the appointee got along
very well with others in the office and is a expert
politician. [] had no knowledge of drug or alcohol
abuse that the appointee may have and had no reason to
question the character, associates, reputation or loyalty of
the appointee to the United States Government. []
recommended, without reservation, that the appointee be given
a position of trust and confidence with the United States
Government.

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CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES

_____ caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D.C., and was advised on _____, that the files contained (a satisfactory credit record) (no credit rating) (no record) for the _____.

On _____, SC _____ determined that no arrest record was contained in the Metropolitan Police Department files concerning the _____ (or relatives).

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and not available for review.

On _____, SC _____ determined that no record was contained in the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicle Services, Government of the District of Columbia files concerning the _____ (or relatives).

On 11/12/81, SC _____ searched the files of the U. S. Park Police and no identifiable adult criminal or traffic record could be located regarding the _____ (or relatives).
Appointee

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SC _____ caused a search to be made of the Office of Personnel Management, and was advised on _____ that no (additional pertinent information) (record) was found concerning the _____.

SC _____ caused a search to be made of the files of the U.S. Secret Service, Department of Treasury, and was advised on 11/16/81 that no (record) (derogatory information) (additional pertinent information) was found concerning the _____.
Appointee

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Date 1/4/82

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: 10 SAC, WFO (161-15599) (RUC) (C-1)
 RICHARD RICHARDS
 SPECIAL INQUIRY
 BUDED: 11/20/81

Reference WFO airtel to Bureau dated 12/1/81.

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"Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted."

Case delayed due to backlog for the Metropolitan Police Department arrest checks.

Check of the Department of the Interior Security records revealed no record for the appointee.

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CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES

_____ caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D.C., and was advised on _____, that the files contained (a satisfactory credit record) (no credit rating) (no record) for the _____.

On 12/28/87, SC _____ determined that no arrest record was contained in the Metropolitan Police Department files concerning the Applicant (or relatives).

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and not available for review.

On 12/28/87, SC _____ determined that no record was contained in the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicle Services, Government of the District of Columbia files concerning the Applicant (or relatives).

On _____, SC _____ searched the files of the U. S. Park Police and no identifiable adult criminal or traffic record could be located regarding the _____ (or relatives).

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SC _____ caused a search to be made of the Office of Personnel Management, and was advised on _____ that no (additional pertinent information) (record) was found concerning the _____.

SC _____ caused a search to be made of the files of the U.S. Secret Service, Department of Treasury, and was advised on _____ that no (record) (derogatory information) (additional pertinent information) was found concerning the _____.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI ROUTINE

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RICHARD RICHARDS, SPECIAL INQUIRY.

RE TELCALL FROM [REDACTED] FBIHQ, TO SALT LAKE CITY,
JANUARY 15, 1982.

ON JANUARY 15, 1982, [REDACTED] UTAH
STATE BAR, WAS QUERIED WHETHER THERE HAD EVER BEEN ANY GRIEVANCES
FILED AGAINST OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN AGAINST MR. RICHARD
RICHARDS.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ONLY THAT RICHARD RICHARDS IS A CURRENT
MEMBER OF THE BAR IN GOOD STANDING; THAT RICHARDS HAD NEVER BEEN
THE SUBJECT OF DISBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR BC DISCIPLINE; AND
THAT THERE ARE NO CURRENT COMPLAINTS AGAINST RICHARDS SUBJECT TO
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

[REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT UNDER A NEW BAR RULE EFFECTIVE FROM
JULY, 1981 FORWARD, FORMAL COMPLAINTS ARE SUBJECT TO PUBLIC

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DISCLOSURE. EVENTS PRIOR TO JULY, 1981, ARE CONSIDERED UNDER THE OLD RULE, WHICH PROHIBITS DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN INFORMATION WITHOUT A COURT ORDER.

UNDER THE OLD RULE, INSTANCES OF DISBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND PUBLIC REPRIMAND ARE DISCLOSABLE; EVENTS OF PRIVATE REPRIMAND, LESSER DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES AND GRIEVANCES RESULTING IN THEM ARE NEITHER CONFIRMED NOR DENIED AND ARE NOT DISCLOSABLE IN THE ABSENCE OF A COURT ORDER.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE ATTACHED TO SF-86, WHICH RICHARD RICHARDS SIGNED, WAS NOT BROAD ENOUGH TO COVER THE BAR ASSOCIATION, INASMUCH AS IT DID NOT ADDRESS REGULATORY AND LICENSING AGENCIES, BUT MERELY ADDRESSED EDUCATIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND CREDIT AGENCIES.

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IN THE ABSENCE OF AN EFFECTIVE AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE, OF COURT ORDER, [REDACTED] WOULD NEITHER CONFIRM NOR DENY ANY GRIEVANCES OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION OF A NON-PUBLIC NATURE AGAINST RICHARD RICHARDS, AND DECLINED TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION.

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RE TELCALL FROM [REDACTED], FBIHQ, TO SALT LAKE CITY, JANUARY 18, 1982.

ON JANUARY 18, 1982, [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] SMALL BUSINESS

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ADMINISTRATION (SBA), SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, WERE QUERIED AND ASKED TO FURNISH INFORMATION PURSUANT TO THE RELEASE OF RICHARD RICHARDS DATED OCTOBER 29, 1981, ATTACHED TO SF-86.

THE AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE SIGNED BY RICHARD RICHARDS IS NOT EXPANSIVE ENOUGH TO COVER THE RELATIONSHIP OF MR. RICHARDS WITH THE SBA, INASMUCH AS IT DOES NOT ADDRESS CREDITORS, LENDING INSTITUTIONS, ADMINISTRATIVE, OR REGULATORY AGENCIES. THEY ADVISED

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THAT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE SBA WAS CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION INTO RECENT EVENTS OF UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING RICHARD RICHARDS. THEY STATED THAT FULL DISCLOSURE WOULD BE MADE TO THE FBI UPON COMPLIANCE BY THE FBI WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT.

THEY FURTHER ADVISED THAT WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS THEY EXPECT TO MAKE A DISCLOSURE CONCERNING RICHARD RICHARDS TO KSL NEWS, CBS AFFILIATE IN SALT LAKE CITY, IN RESPONSE TO A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST. THAT DISCLOSURE WILL CONTAIN PUBLIC AND QUASI-PUBLIC INFORMATION. NO DISCLOSURES WILL BE MADE IN CONTRAVENTION TO THE RIGHT TO FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT.

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Date 1/28/82

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (161-15599) (RUC) (C-1)

RICHARD RICHARDS
 SPECIAL INQUIRY
 BUDED: 11/20/82

Reference WFO airtel to Bureau dated 1/4/82.

ADMINISTRATIVE

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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On 1/25/82 SC
caused a search to be made of the files of the following
organizations concerning bar membership and no record was found
for the appointee.

Lawyers Register, U. S. District Court for the
District of Columbia.

Supreme Court of the United States.

The District of Columbia Bar (D. C. Unified Bar).

The files of the Lawyers Register, U. S. District
Court for the District of Columbia revealed the appointee was
admitted to practice law in the District of Columbia on
_____.

The records of the Supreme Court of the United States
disclosed the appointee was admitted to practice before this
court on 4/1/64 and is in good standing.

On _____ SC _____
caused a review of the records of the District of Columbia Bar
(D. C. Unified Bar) which disclosed that the appointee was
admitted to practice before this bar on _____
and is presently an (inactive-active) member in good standing.
The records further disclosed that there have been no complaints
filed against the appointee.

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February 8, 1982

BY COURIER

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Fred F. Fielding
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fielding:

In accordance with a request received from you on
November 4, 1981, an investigation has been conducted
concerning Mr. Richard Richards. Transmitted herewith are
two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results
of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Charles P. Monroe
Assistant Director
Criminal Investigative Division

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Since January, 1981, Mr. Richards has been employed by
the Republican National Committee, Washington, D. C., as
Chairman. He is being considered for access to The White House.
Investigation favorable and complete.

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~~RICHARD RICHARDS~~

THE INVESTIGATION OF MR. RICHARDS COVERED INQUIRIES AS TO HIS CHARACTER, LOYALTY, AND GENERAL STANDING, BUT NO INQUIRIES WERE MADE AS TO THE SOURCES OF HIS INCOME.

Birth

Mr. Richards was born on May 14, 1932, in Ogden, Utah.

Education

6615 Weatherford Court
Wheeler, Va.

Mr. Richards attended Weber State College, Ogden, Utah, from 1950 to 1952 (exact dates unknown) and from 1955 (exact date unknown) to May, 1958, receiving an A.S. degree.

He attended the University of Utah School of Law, Salt Lake City, Utah, from September, 1958, to December, 1960, receiving a J.D. degree in June, 1961.

Military Service

Mr. Richards was inducted into the United States Army on August 26, 1952, and served on active duty to September 30, 1953, when he was honorably discharged as a private. On October 1, 1953, he was appointed a second lieutenant in the United States Army, and entered on active duty the same date. He served on active duty until March 16, 1955, when he was honorably released as a second lieutenant and transferred to the United States Army Reserve. He served in an inactive status until he was honorably discharged on May 7, 1964, as a second lieutenant. His service record is clear.

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ENCLOSURE

Richard Richards

Employment

1948 to 1961
(exact dates unknown)

Richards Sign Company, Ogden, Utah,
as a sign painter on an intermittent
part-time and full-time basis

1960 to 1961
(exact dates unknown)

Law firm of Clayton and Gould,
Ogden, Utah, as an attorney

March, 1961, to
July, 1962

Staff of Wallace F. Bennett, former
United States Senator from Utah,
Washington, D. C., as a staff assistant

1962 (exact dates unknown) to
January, 1963;
January, 1965, to 1969
(exact date unknown); and
1971 to 1972
(exact dates unknown)

Law firm of Froerer, Horowitz, Parker,
Richards and Thornley, Ogden, Utah,
as a partner

January, 1963, to
December, 1964

Staff of Laurence J. Burton, former
United States Representative from
Ogden, Utah, as a clerk

1969 to 1971
(exact dates unknown) and
January, 1981, to
the present

Republican National Committee,
Washington, D. C., initially as
Policy Director and Deputy Chairman
and currently as Chairman

October, 1970, to
January, 1971

General Technical Advisory Committee,
Office of Coal Research, Department
of the Interior, Washington, D. C.,
as a member

1972 (exact date unknown)
to July 1979

Law firm of Meacham and Richards, Jr.,
Ogden, Utah, as a partner

July, 1979, to
January, 1981

Law clinic of Richard Richards and
Associates, Incorporated, Ogden, Utah,
as a partner

September, 1979, to
November, 1980

Reagan-Bush Campaign, Los Angeles,
California, as the Western Regional
Coordinator

Richard Richards

November, 1980, to
January, 1981

Transition Team, Department of
the Interior, Washington, D. C., as
the head of the team.

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Family Status

Mr. Richards is married to the former [REDACTED]
and they reside at 6615 Weatherford Court, McLean, Virginia.

Mr. Richards has indicated his wife is a United States
citizen.

Mr. Richards' mother, Violet Geneva Williams Richards,
and sister, Louise Marie Richards, are deceased. In addition to
his wife, Mr. Richards has listed the following living close
relatives:

Father

Blaine Royden Richards
Ogden, Utah

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Richard Richards



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Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Richards, he has no close relatives residing in communist-controlled countries.

Interviews

Forty-eight persons, consisting of current and former supervisors, co-workers, and colleagues, present and former neighbors, references, professional associates, and social acquaintances, were interviewed. They advised Mr. Richards is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He was described as articulate, capable, knowledgeable, dependable, highly motivated, and discreet. All persons interviewed recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Richards.

Richard Richards

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Richards or his close relatives.

Bar Affiliations

Mr. Richards is eligible to practice law in the State of Utah and before the Supreme Court of the United States.

A representative of the Utah State Bar advised that under a Bar rule effective July, 1981, formal complaints are subject to public disclosure. Prior to July, 1981, instances of disbarment, suspension and public reprimand are discloseable; events of private reprimand, lesser disciplinary procedures and grievances resulting in them are neither confirmed nor denied and are not discloseable in the absence of a court order.

John Walquist, Judge, State Court, District 2, Ogden, Utah, advised that Mr. Richards has argued cases before him on many occasions. Judge Walquist described him as a gifted, shrewd, aggressive but fair attorney, and stated he was one of the finest attorneys who ever appeared before him. Judge Walquist stated that Mr. Richards was not afraid of controversy and he would go "out on a limb" for a client, but he was never unethical. Judge Walquist stated that about four years ago a case was tried in his court wherein a man and his wife had complained to the Utah State Bar that Mr. Richards had been unethical in his dealings with them. In an effort to keep the couple from losing their house due to foreclosure, Mr. Richards arranged for financial backing with a friend of his. The couple later lost their house to this friend. As it turned out, the couple had an extremely bad financial history, and no one, except Mr. Richards' friend, would carry the mortgage. When the couple continued to become more and more in arrears in their mortgage payments, Mr. Richards' friend foreclosed and got the house. The couple claimed Mr. Richards arranged a contract benefiting his friend, with which they could not comply. The evidence in the case, however, showed Mr. Richards had done the only thing he could to attempt to save their house, and he was completely cleared of any wrongdoing by the State. Judge Walquist stated there have been no other problems concerning Mr. Richards and recommended him for a high position with the Government.

Richard Richards

Miscellaneous

An article in the January 14, 1982, edition of "The Washington Post" contained allegations that Mr. Richards was in default on loans totaling approximately \$300,000 from the Small Business Administration (SBA). Contact with the SBA Regional Office, Salt Lake City, Utah, indicated that any information concerning this allegation could not be released by them in the absence of an executed Financial Privacy Act Release.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Richards:

Division of Personnel Investigations,
Office of Personnel Management; Defense
Central Index of Investigations;
Office of Security, Department of
the Interior; United States
Secret Service; and
The White House Office.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, were checked by name only, and contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Richards.

File

White House: Richards Will 'Work It Out'

Washington Post 1/14/82

The White House said yesterday that Republican National Committee Chairman Richard Richards' problems with delinquent payments on nearly \$300,000 in government-backed loans "is a matter between him" and the Small Business Administration.

Commenting on a report in The Washington Post, deputy press secretary Larry Speakes said, "I'm sure he'll work it out to the satisfaction of all concerned."

The Post reported that last May the SBA had to pay \$96,203 to the Bank of Utah when the bank declared Richards and a partner in default on an SBA-guaranteed loan of \$110,000 on their health spa in Roy, Utah. On a second loan for \$181,000, the SBA has granted Richards and his partner deferments in making about half the payments.

"I presume that happens from time to time with people who have loans," Speakes said, noting that the SBA loans had been extended during the Carter administration.

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"THE WASHINGTON POST"
JANUARY 14, 1982.

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Memorandum



To : DIRECTOR, FBI

Date 02/06/2003

From : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (161-438)

Subject : RICHARD RICHARDS

(Title)

☐ RUC☒ File Destruction ProgramEnclosed are 3 items.

These items are forwarded to your office since file meets criteria for destruction.

Enclosures are described as follows:

- ☒ Original Notes.
- ☐ Original FD-302's.
- ☐ Laboratory and/or Technical Reports.
- ☐ Miscellaneous Documents.

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From Utah Bureau of Vital Statistics
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)
150 W. North Temple
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)
SLC, Utah
(CITY AND STATE)
By SC
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes Receipt Given ☐ Yes
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Description:

1 certified copy of birth certificate
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STATE BOARD OF HEALTH FILE NO. 510
CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH
STATE OF UTAH
ree HospitalPLACE OF BIRTH
Weber
COUNTY OF _____
PRECINCT OF _____
TOWN OR VILLAGE OF _____
CITY OF OgdenSTREET AND NO. _____
(If in Hospital or other Institution, give its Name instead of Street and Number)FULL NAME OF CHILD Richard Richards (If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed)SEX OF CHILD Male TWIN, TRIPLET, OR OTHER? _____ NUMBER IN ORDER OF BIRTH _____ PREMATURE Yes LEGITIMATE? Yes DATE OF BIRTH May 14, 1932
(To be answered in event of plural births) FULL TERM _____ (MONTH) (DAY) (YEAR)FATHER
FULL NAME Blaine Roylen RichardsMOTHER
FULL MAIDEN NAME Violet WilliamsRESIDENCE (USUAL PLACE OF ABODE) 2963 Pingree Ave.RESIDENCE (USUAL PLACE OF ABODE) 2963 Pingree Ave.COLOR OR RACE White AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 33 (YEARS)COLOR OR RACE White AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 23 (YEARS)BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR PLACE) Phraim,
(STATE OR COUNTRY) UtahBIRTHPLACE (CITY OR PLACE) Ogden,
(STATE OR COUNTRY) UtahOCCUPATION: TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK DONE, AS SPINNER, SAWYER, BOOKKEEPER, ETC. PainterOCCUPATION: TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK DONE, AS HOUSEKEEPER, TYPIST, NURSE, CLERK, ETC. HousewifeINDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH WORK WAS DONE, AS SILK MILL, SAWMILL, BANK, ETC. Sign Co.INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH WORK WAS DONE, AS OWN HOME, LAWYER'S OFFICE, SILK MILL, ETC. Home

NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF THIS MOTHER (AT TIME OF THIS BIRTH AND INCLUDING THIS CHILD) (a) BORN ALIVE AND NOW LIVING _____ (b) BORN ALIVE BUT NOW DEAD _____ (c) STILLBORN _____

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE BIRTH OF THIS CHILD WHO WAS Born Alive AT 11:16 A. ON THE DATE ABOVE STATED.
(Born alive or stillborn)

*When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., should make this return. A stillborn child is one that neither breathes nor shows other evidence of life after birth.

(SIGNATURE) [Signature]DATE May 18, 1932 Physician
(PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE)

GIVEN NAME ADDED FROM SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT _____

ADDRESS OF PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE Ogden, UtahFILED May 19 1932 _____REGISTERED NO. 479 _____

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WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

N. B.—In case of more than one child at a birth, a SEPARATE RETURN must be made for each, and the number of each, in order of birth, stated. SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON OTHER SIDE.

SDH-BHS 95 (12-79)

This is to certify that this is a true copy of the certificate on file in this office. This certified copy is issued under authority of Section 26-15-26 of the Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as Amended.

Date Issued:

COUNTY

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John E. Brockert
John E. Brockert
DIRECTOR OF VITAL STATISTICS
BY

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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By
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Utah State Bar; 425 E. 100 S.

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

SLC, UT

By _____

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

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Richard Richard

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Judge Walquist St Dist Judge. agden

4 yrs ago, complaint to State Bar.
man & wife, not ethical.

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11/9/81 -  good student
admitted 11/30/68

6 admonition — confidential

old rule { only pub rep
susp
or dis bar and
ref to suspect are public.

new rule { former complas || Have good standing
July 81 { are pub info || not sub disb. susp. or pub dis.
no current complaints or genuine.



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Utah State Bar
425 East First South
SLC, UT



Advised that under new rule (effective July 1981), any formal complaint against a member of the bar became a public matter, and could be disclosed.

Under the old rule (prior to July 1981), complaints or grievances filed with the State Bar were private and could not be released without court order, furthermore, there were existed the possibility of low level disciplinary action (i.e. private reprimand), which would not be made a public matter and not discoverable without a court order.

Under the old rule, only ~~public~~ actions made public were: public reprimand, suspension, disbarment, or referral to the supreme court upon recommendation of the bar for the above actions.

Advised that Richard Richards
is ① member of bar in good standing
② never subject of public discipline
③ no current complaints or grievances outstanding